

## **Public Notice – Environmental Project**

### **PURPOSE OF NOTICE:**

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in Suffolk, Virginia.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

March 24, 2017 to April 21, 2017

### **TYPE OF RESPONSE:**

Federal Consistency Certification

DEQ is reviewing a proposed activity requiring a federal license/permit to determine whether it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (CZM) established pursuant to the federal Coastal Zone Management Act. The CZM Program seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

### **NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:**

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

The Norfolk District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is reviewing a Joint Permit Application submitted by Moore's Point, LLC (applicant) for the issuance of an individual permit pursuant to Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) (Public Law 95-217) for impacts to jurisdictional waters of the United States from the proposed Moore's Point development in the City of Suffolk, Virginia. The applicant proposes to construct 161 residential units on 48.855 acres located between Nansemond Parkway and Portsmouth Boulevard. The subdivision is primarily located on uplands however construction of the two subdivision access roads will require unavoidable impacts to 0.64-acres of forested wetlands. An additional 0.259-acre of wetland will be temporarily impacted by the roadway construction. To minimize the impacts, the roads have been designed to cross at the narrowest point of the wetland drainages. The applicant has submitted a Federal Consistency Certification that finds the proposed action consistent with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program. This consistency certification is submitted pursuant to Subpart D of the federal consistency regulation (15 CFR 930.5) for projects requiring a federal license or permit.

### **HOW TO COMMENT:**

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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